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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HITOSHI TSUBOI, ET AL.)
Application No.: 09/986,804)
Filed: November 13, 2001)
For: INK JET PRINTING APPARATUS)
AND PRELIMINARY EJECTING)
METHOD)
September 15, 2003

Examiner: Lam S. Nguyen
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